

# **The Nitty Gritty On The Pat Hurley Neighborhood**

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## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS/NEW OFFICERS

The Office of Neighborhood Coordination “welcomes” new presidents of neighborhood associations and says a “special thank you” to outgoing presidents. Thank you for all your hard work and commitment to the improvement of the life-style of your neighborhood.

### **Neighborhood Association**

Academy Estates East  
Cibola Addition  
Eldorado Heights  
Hodgin  
Huning Highland Historic  
Nor Este  
The Quail Springs  
Sawmill Area  
Tanoan Comm. Assoc. of Res.  
Valley Gardens  
Vineyard Estates

### **“Welcome” to Incoming President**

Bob Richards  
Bob Francis  
Sharon Busboom  
Carl Soderberg  
Charles Incendio  
Jay Rowland  
Goldiala G. Stone  
Aileen O’Catherine  
John Lastra  
Marcella Rael  
Mike Brewer

### **“Thanks” to Outgoing President**

Anita Harper  
Phil Barott  
Jim Biernat  
Edsel Overall  
Bill Hoch  
Paul Grunwald  
Robert M. Fresques  
Georg Schreiber  
Steve Collins  
Richard Powell  
Eric Rhoades

South Broadway Neighborhood Association regained their “Recognized” status on October 10, 2003.

## NEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

The *Crestview Bluff Neighborhood Association* is located in *City Council District 3, Police Beat – WS-147; County Commission District 2 and Community Identity Area – South Valley*. The contacts for this association are *Dolores Griego and Rick Jenkins*. They became a recognized neighborhood association on November 10, 2003. **Welcome Aboard!!**

The *Jeanne Bellamah East Neighborhood Association* is located in *City Council District 9, Police Beat – FH-531; County Commission District 5 and Community Identity Area – East Gateway*. The contacts for this association are *Cynthia Snapka and Anna Ostic*. They became a recognized neighborhood association on October 27, 2003. **Welcome Aboard!!**

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## A Message From The Mayor

Martin J. Chavez

### Good Start Toward Tracking Sex Offenders

In far too many of our neighborhoods, the day when our families and children are safer on the streets or in their homes from sex offenders has been a very long time coming.

Now, with historic passage of statewide laws enacting longer sentences and more stringent paroles for those who prey on our families, we have taken a major step in the right direction. Commendations are due the Governor and legislature for responding to Albuquerque's call on this front, and getting tougher on sex offenders.

The parents and friends of Ms. Marissa Mathy-Zvaifler can take some measure of consolation for the fact that her tragic death at the Sunshine Theater this summer has helped spur the state to decisive action.

Up until now, New Mexico had been singled out by folks like David Siebers, because we were a state particularly lax in dealing with convicted sex offenders. We were literally gaining a national reputation as a hospitable place to relocate.

To me, this simply could not be allowed to continue. Here in Albuquerque, we have also enacted a series of laws beyond what the state has yet passed, to keep offenders from slipping into anonymity.

I want to caution our communities that, while the state has taken substantial steps in the right direction, we still do not have a fully meaningful Megan's law statewide.

The key difference between a Megan's law reform and what we have just seen pass in Santa Fe, is that the state still does not fully track the whereabouts of offenders who have already completed their parole or probation. Truth is, certain categories of sex offenders are simply

not truly 'curable,' and anyone who argues otherwise is recklessly putting our families in harm's way. So it makes sense to continue to work for a statewide, full impact Megan's law that will track those whose offenses date all the way back to 1970. Fortunately, though the law just passed in Santa Fe does not do this, it does include creation of a commission to track the issue further and make more recommendations.

I will be weighing in to ensure this commission and our legislators have the full benefit of Albuquerque's work toward greater awareness of where the offenders are in our community. Given the first chance, some will strike again. And I aim to ensure they never get that chance.

Please join with me and encourage our legislator to stay the course until the job is done. Together, there is much we can still do to make our neighborhoods and our families safer.

Martin J. Chavez, Mayor

### Mayor Announces Task Force To Update Building Regulations for City's Older Buildings

Mayor Martin J. Chavez has established a task force to develop and adopt modern, up-to-date building regulations that encourage the use and reuse of existing buildings. These regulations will adequately protect public health, safety and welfare while not unnecessarily increasing construction costs. Preserving and reusing buildings is a City-wide issue, not just the downtown or historic districts.

Preserving and reusing buildings in Albuquerque is in accord with the City's goals of:

- Sustainable Community Development
- Economic Vitality
- Community & Cultural Engagement
- Public Safety

Task force members represent designers, contractors, bankers, realtors and historic preservationists. Task force

members are::

- Glenn Fellows – American Institute of Architects
- Glenn Wertheim – Charter Bank
- Bob Golden – Bradbury & Stamm Contractors
- Greg Sandoval – Architect
- Sam Lopez – Architect
- Barbara Lebeck – Real Estate
- Ed Boles – Historic Preservation
- Bob Williams – Chief Building Official.

### Trumbull Charrette

Mayor Martin J. Chavez addressed members of the Safe Cities Design and Financial teams, neighborhood residents, Planning Department staff and other interested parties at a housing charrette for the Trumbull neighborhood on November 14, 2003.

The charrette was a day and a half long intense planning sessions meant to prepare a series of housing solutions and a financing incentive strategy for the Trumbull neighborhood. The framework for the project was established in the **Near Heights Housing Redevelopment Area Plan**, approved by the City Council in October 2000, Bill R-90. In 2003 the City Council adopted Bill R-03-305, the **Heights Housing Redevelopment Project Plan**. The intent of these bill is to prepare a Metropolitan Redevelopment Plan and to undertake and carry out **MRA** (Metropolitan Redevelopment Area) projects. The Trumbull Design Charrette is the first step in this effort.

There are 3 teams involved in this process: The Design Team, comprised of public, private and national experts in the field of architecture design and finance; The Response Team, comprised of City agencies, private businesses and associations; and the Neighborhood Team, comprised of residents, property owners, business owners and civic leaders.

The teams' desired outcome of the Trumbull charrette was to produce a model project that can be duplicated in other neighborhoods within the City and eventually develop and RFP for new housing in the Trumbull area.



## NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP

News From And For Neighborhoods



### ACROSS THE FENCE

#### Meet The Pat Hurley Neighborhood Association

*Submitted by Leo Padilla*

The boundaries of the Pat Hurley Neighborhood Association are the Rio Grande on the East, Yucca on the West, La Bajada on the North and Central on the South.

The neighborhood association's motto: "Neighbors working together for a better community." Their mission is: work together with a united voice on issues that affect their community, families, and way of life; be recognized by City and State officials and have their voice heard; develop pride in themselves, their community and make this area a safer place for their children. The motivator is: "Instead of complaining about what is wrong in their community, join the Pat Hurley Neighborhood Association and become an active part on the solution."

Driving west on Central, from downtown, just past the Rio Grande on the North side of Central, you will find the small community of Pat Hurley. This community has been around for approximately 50 years or so (certainly for as long as I can remember). It is a very well established neighborhood, popular at one time, for its baseball park at the bottom of the hill and the Pat Hurley Park on top of hill. I loved to play softball on this field because the left field fence was very close and right-handed hitters could easily hit many a home run. As much as I liked this baseball field, it was also a magnet for crime and a big problem for the residents living close by.

The Pat Hurley Neighborhood Association was founded in 1994, by a group of concerned community members who wanted to improve the park's playground equipment. They found it difficult to get City and State agencies to listen to them. They decided to form an association that would be registered with the City so that a united voice for the community would be heard. Since its formation and because of community

involvement, the association has achieved many positive things to improve their quality of life.

#### Achievements of the Association

- Redevelopment of West Central thereby making a strong effort protecting home and business, while looking to improve the quality of life for all. Encourage the supply of goods and service for the community, local quality jobs for our residents and activities for all.
- An active partner of the U.S Justice Department's Weed and Seed program in the area; serving on numerous committees and participated in the National Weed and Seed conference.
- Partner with other Neighborhood Associations in the area on issues, concerns and problems that affect this community in general.
- Instrumental in acquiring new playground equipment in the lower level of the Pat Hurley Park and the redevelopment and upgrading of the park and its facilities.
- Along with the help of local businesses, the neighborhood association has sponsored and assisted in Police Officer appreciation events for over 5 years.
- Was a key element in getting the City to correct a flooding problem, which damaged homes in the area.
- Contributes to the Halloween Haunted house and dance held at the Community Center.
- Sponsored and supplies craft materials and man power at the Pat Hurley Center for Valentines and Christmas crafts events for their neighborhood children.
- The association has been and is an important part of securing funds from both the City and State of New Mexico for equipment, supplies and for much needed improvements and upgrades in their community.
- Is active in Crime Prevention efforts.
- Donates school supplies to Lavaland Elementary School for needy students.

I guess one could say the Pat Hurley Neighborhood Association has accomplished a great deal in a relatively short period of time.

#### The Associations Future Goals

- Continue to be involved and active in the redevelopment effort of Central and Atrisco area.
- Continue to be and active part of the political and non-political issues which will effect their community, business, residents and schools.
- Continue involvement with their crime prevention issues, making this community a safe place for their families and business.
- Develop a neighborhood youth group from within their boundaries to work on programs and projects that will benefit the young.
- Develop activities for youth and family, activities like Halloween haunted house, Christmas celebrations, Easter egg hunts and Fourth of July events.
- Developed a program to assist their elderly in area such as yard work, shopping and health care, etc.
- Deal more effectively with traffic issues and to manage traffic in their neighborhood they plan to acquire more traffic calming devices, such as speed humps to slow down speeders and cut down on cut through traffic.
- Start a regular neighborhood association newsletter to distribute at meetings in order to keep the community well informed on what is being worked on and where the needs are.

What the Pat Hurley neighborhood association needs now are community members to get involved in solving problems and protecting the rights of the people and businesses that are within the boundaries of the association. They need help and input on achieving their well-laid out goals. When speaking to some of the leaders of this association, I felt a great deal of pride coming from them. These people are proud to be living in such a great community and they show it.





## From The Manager's Desk

### Compliance and Annual Reports

The Office of Neighborhood Coordination maintains a huge and constantly updated database of neighborhood associations and their contacts. As a part of the 0-92 Ordinance, that provides recognition to those neighborhood associations who follow those obligations outlined in the ordinance. The actual number of association and coalitions listed fluctuates, daily between 250 and 275 associations.

This office, at the direction of Stephani, sends out reminder notices, when your annual reports are due. Two months later we then send out another reminder called a "second notice" - again reminding associations of their obligations. According to Law, we are then required to remove the active status of those associations who are not in compliance. Those reports provide us with the up-to-date contact information for your association. This aids our office in providing the proper contacts for developer inquires, our newsletter distribution, mailers from our office concerning training offerings, and anything else related to notification of your association by a governmental body.

This last month alone, we sent out twenty five (25) such notices to neighborhood associations who are in need of updating their reporting requirements. Why is this happening? We endeavor, as the law prescribes, to treat each association exactly the same. If we do not we are guilty of unequal treatment and can be accused of showing favoritism.

In order to maintain our database we need for your association to contact us as soon as a change of either of the two

primary contacts has occurred. Our Neighborhood Meeting Report Form and the Recognized Neighborhood Association Annual Report form both state clearly what we need in order to maintain a current and accurate database.

"ONC must be notified as soon as possible of any changes in the names for official notification by an officer of your association either in writing or an e-mail message. Your association is responsible for the accuracy and timelines of this information".

AND

**"ANY CHANGES IN CONTACTS, ADDRESSES OR PHONE NUMBERS MUST BE DONE IN WRITING OR VIA E-MAIL MESSAGE TO ME at <hhowell@cabq.gov> or to Stephani <swinklepleck@cabq.gov>.** It is very important that we have the current contacts for your association for mailing purposes.

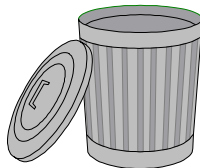
If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Stephani at 924-3902 or Herb at 924-3905.

### Neighborhood Clean-Up Help Available

The Clean City Division of the City's Solid Waste Management Department has a **CLEAN TEAM** that will come into your neighborhood and help with a neighborhood clean-up - at your request and convenience!

Just call the Solid Waste Department, Office of the Superintendent, at 877-8060 and request a "Clean-Up Form." After you have filled out the form, return it to: Solid Waste Management Department, Clean City Division, 4600 Edith NW, ABQ, 87107 or fax it to **857-8205** and then call them at **857-8204** to schedule your clean-up. Clean-ups can include trash, weeds, litter and graffiti removal.

Spread the word to your neighborhood association board and residents and get the Clean Team in action in your neighborhood today!



### Neighborhood Workshop Corner

Workshops are held in the Plaza Del Sol Building Hearing Room #160, Basement Level, 600 Second St. NW.

#### The President/Vice President's Forum Workshop

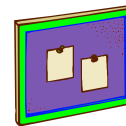
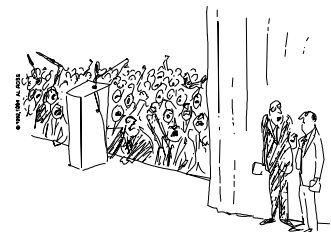
**Tuesday, December 2, 2003**

**6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

The President's Forum is designed for Neighborhood Association Presidents and Vice Presidents only. Our staff will help you anticipate future problems/issues in your neighborhood.

*(If you have been elected President or Vice President in the last two (2) years, we highly recommend that you attend this workshop.)*

**Register on line at <[www.cabq.gov/planning/pages/neighborhood/newsletter/newsletter.html](http://www.cabq.gov/planning/pages/neighborhood/newsletter/newsletter.html)> or call 924-3914 and ask for Dalaina.**



### News Flashes For Neighborhoods

#### Tell Us Your Story

Do you have a great story about your neighborhood and your associations' history? A story that the rest of us should know about - your accomplishments, residents who should be acknowledged for their outstanding service or career? If so, please let us know. We'll come out for a visit, interview and take some pictures of your neighborhood and feature it in an upcoming edition of the *Neighborhood News*.

Please contact Leo Padilla at 924-3912 or email at <[lnpadilla@cabq.gov](mailto:lnpadilla@cabq.gov)>.

### "Our Neighborhood"

## NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued

### Community Policing On The Move



Submitted By Carl Bartlett

### Weed and Seed Part Four

In the last issue of *NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS*, we briefly discussed the four components of the Weed and Seed strategy: law enforcement, community policing, prevention, intervention, treatment, and neighborhood restoration. In this issue we will get into the “nuts and bolts” of these items.

Law enforcement activities weed out violent offenders by coordinating and integrating the efforts of federal, state and local law enforcement agencies in designated high-crime neighborhoods. Law enforcement goals are the identification, arrest, prosecution, conviction, and incarceration of violent criminals and drug traffickers operating in the target area.

Some of the law enforcement initiatives in the Weed and Seed sites focus on special enforcement operations such as repeat or violent offenders focussed programs, intensified narcotics investigations, targeted prosecutions, victim-witness protection, and elimination of narcotics trafficking organizations operating in these areas.

The goal of community policing is to establish mutual trust between law enforcement and residents. It aims to raise the level of citizen and community involvement in crime prevention and intervention activities to solve drug-related problems in neighborhoods and enhance the level of community security. Activities focus on increasing police visibility and developing cooperative relationships between the police and the residents in the target areas. Foot patrols cooperative problem solving, victim's referrals to support services police mini-stations, and nuisance abatement

activities increase positive interaction between the police and the community. Community Oriented Policing bridges weeding and seeding strategies. Officers obtain helpful information from area residents for weeding efforts while they aid residents with community revitalization and seeding resources.

The prevention, intervention, and treatment component of the Weed and Seed strategy addresses the needs of the community and helps prevent crime and violence by addressing the risk and protective factors associated with drug abuse, violence and crime. Coordinated efforts of law enforcement, social service agencies, private sector businesses, and residents help improve provision of services. Prevention, intervention and treatment include youth services, school programs, and social programs. SafeHaven, for example, is a mechanism to organize and deliver an array of youth - adult- oriented human services in a multi - service center setting such as a school. Every Weed and Seed site has at least one SafeHaven.

The neighborhood restoration element of the Weed and Seed strategy is designed to revitalize distressed neighborhoods and improve the quality of life in the target communities through economic development and a revitalization of the community's health and wellness. Neighborhood restoration programs help to improve living conditions, enhance home security, allow for low-cost physical improvements, develop long-term efforts to renovate and maintain housing, provide educational, economic, social, recreational, and other opportunities. Neighborhood restoration can be achieved only through coordinated use of federal, state, local, and private sector resources.

Economic development activities help strengthen legitimate community institutions by enhancing employment opportunities for residents, improving the physical environment. Weed and Seed efforts help to stabilize the community and promote restoration.

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### New Mexico Night Sky Office

In July of this year, the Alliance announced the creation of the Night Sky Office. Robin Martin, a prominent advocate for protection of New Mexico's night sky, made establishment of the office possible through a generous grant.

The Night Sky Office will initiate action on issues concerning light pollution and New Mexico's night sky, will establish educational, legislative, informational and outreach efforts to reverse light pollution in the State, and will promote pristine night skies. (One such planned action is an upcoming mailing of information to the State's electrical contractors, distributors and other lighting suppliers.) Additionally, the office will act as a clearinghouse for counties, municipalities, homeowners' associations, and other jurisdictional entities that have existing light regulations or ordinances or are looking for resources to develop such regulations. A section dedicated to the Night Sky Office will be added to NMHPA's website <[www.nmheritage.org](http://www.nmheritage.org)>. For further information, contact Sheila Sullivan, Director, Night Sky Office, 505-466-0085, <[thenightskyoffice@comcast.com](mailto:thenightskyoffice@comcast.com)>.

### New Mexico Dark Sky Appreciation Night

In celebration of the dark sky accomplishments, and to inspire participation in the elimination of light pollution and the preservation of New Mexico's night sky, Governor Bill Richardson proclaimed the night of August 27th as the 2nd annual “New Mexico Dark Sky Appreciation Night” throughout New Mexico, and invited New Mexicans to “go outside and enjoy the blessings of an unspoiled night sky.”





#### **A Message From Your City Council**

Council staff may be reached at **768-3100**. The agenda for an upcoming council meeting may be checked by calling **768-3100** after 1 p.m. on the Friday immediately prior to the council meeting. The City Council's fax number is **768-3227**. Agendas, Action Items and Summaries are available on the Council's webpage at <[www.cabq.gov/council/counsched.html](http://www.cabq.gov/council/counsched.html)> (Front Row, L to R: Tina Cummins, District 9; Eric Griego, District 3; Brad Winter, District 4; Sally Mayer, District 7; Michael Cadigan, District 5; Greg Payne, Vice President District 8. Back Row, L to R: Vincent Griego, President, District 2; Miguel Gomez, District 1, Hess Yntema, District 6).

### **Councilor Payne Departs After Successful Term**

Greg Payne began serving as District 8 City Councilor with an agenda to make city government more accountable and responsive to its citizens. Four years later it's evident he has made considerable progress toward meeting that agenda.

Payne, who decided not to seek a second Council term, has worked tirelessly toward these goals and can point to numerous accomplishments in the short time he served on the Council. He attributes his achievements to the working relationship he developed with the District 8 neighborhood associations.

"Early in my term I realized the importance of involving the neighborhood associations in the issues," Payne stated. "They know the concerns and the problems facing our community and they usually know the solutions."

This teamwork approach with the associations resulted in many far-reaching improvements for District 8. Payne's accessibility and responsiveness kept him in touch with residents of his district. By including constituents in the planning processes through task forces and board appointments and by conducting numerous town halls, Payne gained valuable input on what the district needed and supported. He also got city government's attention to address those needs.

In his district, Payne emphasized quality of life issues such as public safety and economic development. He spearheaded the Eldorado Crossing revitalization and was instrumental in locating APD's James Joseph Dwyer Memorial Substation in District 8. He also sponsored legislation regarding excessive noise and street cruising. His other notable projects include traffic calming and median landscaping improvements.

Family values have been a recurring theme in Payne's City Council priorities. He has long been an advocate of the Bear Canyon Senior Center and its popular senior programs. He has sought—and received—funding for parks, playground equipment and family-oriented entertainment programs in his district. Councilor Payne supported the Roadrunner Little League and other District 8 youth programs and has worked for closer cooperation with the Albuquerque Public Schools. His interest in youth activities extends beyond his services as a city councilor however. He has served as a mentor in the Junior Achievement program and volunteered with the YMCA's Youth and Government and Fade 2 Realities programs.

Payne's positive impact has been felt citywide as well. His legislative work on the Council resulted in more equitable water customer billing procedures, water and energy conservation and efficiencies in city operations, and improved transit services. He also guided efforts to improve humane procedures at Animal Services, including the creation of the Animal Welfare Advisory Board.



Currently Councilor Payne serves as the Council's Vice President and holds appointments on the Council's Committee on Guidelines for Negotiations, the Intergovernmental/Legislative Relations Committee, the E-Government Configuration Board and the Metropolitan Water and Wastewater Board. He has headed numerous task forces and is a Council representative on the Albuquerque Convention and Visitors Bureau's Board of Directors.

A third generation Albuquerquean and native of District 8's Foothills and Far Northeast Heights, Councilor Payne will remain active in the community and committed to Albuquerque's quality of life. He intends to remain in Albuquerque with his wife Selia and son Gregory Adam and pursue his hobbies of running, skiing and reading American and Southwestern history.



Councilor Greg Payne



<b>21 - 30</b>	<b>1 - 10</b>	<b>11 - 19</b>	<b>20 - 31</b>
<b>Thursday, November 20</b> •EPC – 8:30 a.m.	<b>Monday, December 1</b> •City Council – 5 p.m.	<b>Thursday, December 11</b> •POC – 4 p.m.	<b>Tuesday, December 23</b> •BOA – 9 a.m.
<b>Monday, November 24</b> •City Council – 5 p.m. (land use, if needed)	<b>Wednesday, December 3</b> •DRB – 9 a.m. •ACTMI – 9:30 a.m. •Westside Coalition – 7 p.m.	<b>Monday, December 15</b> •City Council – 5 p.m.	<b>Wednesday, December 24</b> •EPC – Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m.
<b>Tuesday, November 25</b> •BOA – 9 a.m.	<b>Thursday, December 4</b> •District 7 Coalition – 7 p.m.	<b>Tuesday, December 16</b> •GARTC – 4:30 p.m.	<b>Thursday, December 25</b> •Christmas Holiday - City Offices Closed
<b>Wednesday, November 26</b> •DRB – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m. •LEPC – 9 a.m.	<b>Monday, December 8</b> •GABAC – 4:30 p.m. •City Council – 5 p.m. •SWAN – 6:30 p.m.	<b>Wednesday, December 17</b> •DRB – 9 a.m. •TAB – 1:30 p.m.	<b>Wednesday, December 31</b> •LEPC – 9 a.m.
<b>Thursday, Friday November 27, 28</b> •Thanksgiving Holiday- City Offices Closed	<b>Wednesday, December 10</b> •DRB – 9 a.m. •LUCC – 3 p.m. •AQCB – 5 p.m.	<b>Thursday, December 18</b> •EPC – 8:30 a.m.	
			

**~Happenings Around Albuquerque~**

•**Coleman Gallery of Contemporary Art**, 3812 Central Avenue SE, Suite 100-A, 505-232-0224, <[www.colemancontemporary.com](http://www.colemancontemporary.com)>  
**Gallery Hours: Tuesday - Saturday from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.** **Exhibition Title:** CGCA 2nd Annual Invitational **Exhibiting Artists:** Trina Badarak, Richard Earnheart, Marcia Hewitt Johnson, Anna Patricia Keller, Margaret Monsour, Jen Northup, Don Vernay, Gary Wellman, Karen Wening, and David Whipple. **Exhibition Dates: December 4 - 31, 2003** **Exhibition Reception: Thursday December 4, from 5 - 10 p.m.** this date is also the 9th Annual Nob Hill Holiday Shop and Stroll. Don't miss CGCA's 2nd Annual Invitational Exhibition featuring ten New Mexico abstract artists. Art works include sculpture, painting, drawing, textile wall art, and collage.

•**The City of Albuquerque and the Joiner Family** present the “Twinkle Light Parade” **Saturday, November 29, at 5 p.m.** Parade route will start at Civic Plaza, head south on 3rd St. to Central Ave., then west on Central Ave. to Robinson Park. Festivities will continue following the parade at the Rio Grande Botanic Garden where you can enjoy the magic of hundreds of thousands of twinkling lights and dazzling holiday displays at the 7th Annual River of Lights (\$5 admission). Visits with Santa Claus will also take place at the Rio Grande Botanic Garden. For information call 768-3555 or visit <[www.cabq.gov/crs/spevents.html](http://www.cabq.gov/crs/spevents.html)>.

•**Magnifico!** 516 Central SW, presents **Art Market, an Exhibit Of Works For Sale, November 21 - December 18, 2003.** **Artscrawl Reception - Friday, November 21, 2003, 5 - 9 p.m.** Works by Kevin Tolman, Sally Condon, Santiago Perez, Richard Hogan, Kim Arthur, Patrick Nagatani, Frank McCulloch, Douglas Kent Hall, Sherlock Terry, Kendra Huse and many more will be available. For more information, call 505-242-8244.

•**9th Annual Nob Hill Holiday Shop and Stroll - Thursday, December 4, 2003 from 5 - 10 p.m.** Area shops and restaurants welcome shoppers and strollers with special hours and events. For more information, call Martha at 255-1122.